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SUBJ: NEW PROBLEMS FOR COPPER WORKERS CONFEDERATION -CTC

REFS (A) SANTIAGO 6065 (B) SANTIAGO 6048 (C) SANTIAGO 6036

1. ACCORDING TO CTC LEADERS, LABOR MINISTER NICANOR DIAZ CALLED THEM INTO PRIVATE SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 9 AND ASKED ALL TO RESIGN THEIR POSITIONS IN CONFEDERATION. DIAZ CLAIMED THAT CTC EXECUTIVE BOARD WAS ILLEGALLY CONSTITUTED AND THAT GOC WANTED TO REORGANIZE IT. HE EXPRESSED DESIRE TO REDUCE NUMBER OF POSITIONS FROM PRESENT 13 TO 9 (TWO POSITIONS EACH FOR THE "BIG THREE" MINES, TWO FROM SANTIAGO HEADQUARTERS AND ONE FROM ANDINA MINE). DIAZ REPORTEDLY TOLD CTC PRESIDENT GUILLERMO SANTANA THAT HE WOULD BE RENAMED TO ONE OF POSITIONS BUT DID NOT PROMISE THAT HE WOULD REMAIN IN PRESIDENCY.

2. CTC EXECUTIVE BOARD MET LATER IN WEEK AND UNANIMOUSLY REFUSED TO SUBMIT RESIGNATIONS. THEY SENT LETTER TO DIAZ INFORMING HIM OF THIS ACTION, REQUESTING HE PUT HIS REQUEST IN WRITING AND SUGGESTING THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO DECREEE THEIR REMOVAL.

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3. COMMENT: DIAZ MAY HAVE TECHNICAL POINT IN THAT

EXECUTIVE BOARD IS NOT LEGALLY CONSTITUTED, SINCE SEVERAL OF PRESENT OFFICERS INCLUDING SANTANA WERE SELECTED BY PEERS TO FILL VACANCIES SHORTLY AFTER 1973 COUP. THE PRESENT BOARD WAS, HOWEVER, OFFICIALLY ENDORSED BY FORMER LABOR MINISTER AND HAS FUNCTIONED FOR NEARLY TWO YEARS WITH CONSENT OF GOC.

4. DEIZ ACTION MAY BE PROMPTED BY HIS RECENT EMBARRASSMENT AT BEING OVERRULED BY PRESIDENT PINOCHET ON RELEASE OF DETAINED CTC LEADERS. WHETHER HE WILL PERSIST IN ATTEMPT TO REORGANIZE CTC IN FACE OF LEADERSHIP'S REFUSAL TO COOPERATE IS ANYONE'S GUESS.  
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